

Uxbridge Historical District Commission
Meeting Minutes of October 19, 2021
7:00pm Select Board Room

Members Present: Jane Keegan, Travis Ann Do Rosario, Faye McCloskey, Peter Pendergast, Lisa Sprunger (Alternate) and Karen Beane (Alternate)

Members Absent: Christopher Delarda

Meeting is called to order at 6:58pm by Jane Keegan

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

OPENING COMMENTS:

Thank you to those who have served on the UHDC Committee in the past.

Congratulations to Peter Pendergast who has moved up to a full voting member.

Welcome to those who are new members to the UHDC Committee Karen Beane and Lisa Sprunger.

RE-ORGANIZATION OF OFFICERS:

Faye McCloskey nominated Jane Keegan as Chair, Travis Do Rosario seconded the nomination.

Jane Keegan nominated Peter Pendergast as Vice Chair, Faye McCloskey seconded the nomination.

Jane Keegan nominated Travis Do Rosario as Recording Secretary, Faye McCloskey seconded the nomination

Nominations were approved Unanimously. 4 – 0

NEW BUSINESS:

KOOPMAN LUMBER – 12 Douglas Street

Certificate of Non-Applicability application for the Construction of a Pole Barn in the back corner of the Koopman Lumber property.

Travis Ann Do Rosario made a motion to accept the application. Peter Pendergast seconded the motion.

Vote was approved unanimously. 4-0

OLD BUSINESS:

Jane Keegan provided an update on issues that were addressed while the UHDC was not meeting in person.

Main Street Re-imagined Initiative with Michael Gallerani, Economic Development Manager

Letter in support of Farnum House for a grant application to the Commonwealth.

Unitarian Church signage to announce restoration project details.

ATM machine in Derusseaux Real Estate parking lot.

Applications from the Building Department that were sent to the chair for review, but were not within the UHDC purview, including the OLV addition which was deemed too-far-off-street to warrant a hearing.

RE: Mosaic murals in front of the former Bernat Mill complex. These were demolished, seemingly without discussion or permitting, the owner has stated that the brick wall itself was compromised. Subsequent conversation with the Mill's "Project Manager" (Daryl Johnson) and the original artist (Joel DeLorey), there was assurance offered that future plans would include creating replacement mosaics.

Travis Do Rosario made a motion to draft a letter to the Mr. Meehan and the Project Manager to remind them of necessity to approach the UHDC first before taking action effecting outside elements of this property.
Seconded by Faye McCloskey.
Action approved 4-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

Upcoming Main Street Re-imagine Initiative forum this Saturday, October 23, 2021.
Proposal to re-introduce the expansion of the present Historical District to include Capron Street to MMS and along Mendon Street to W. River Rd. and North Main to Hazel Street (or Homeward Avenue)

Motion to adjourn at 7:47pm by Faye McCloskey
Seconded by Peter Pendergast
Motion passes unanimously, 4-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Travis Ann Do Rosario
UHDC Recording Secretary

Janet Keegan
Faye McCloskey
Peter Pendergast

Jim Spunzy
Ham Potter
Travis Ann Do Rosario.